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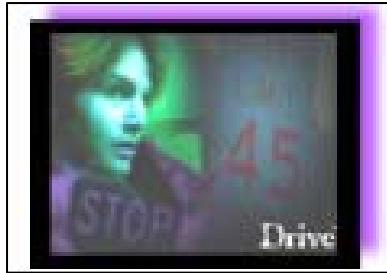
## Kelly's Korner

### News from Your Driver Ed Staff



The workshops have come and gone. It was a great trip around the state, and I enjoyed getting to know many of you on a more personal level. Thanks. I look forward to hearing from you about your programs.

The **Drive Program** was a huge success. The comments from teachers about the program were great, and I look forward to the evaluations and to see how the program is working for your students.



The work that all of you did on the **Content Standards and Benchmarks** is being put together and hopefully will be up on the web page by September.

To see a **summary** of the workshop evaluations go to the SDE driver ed web page

<http://www.sde.state.id.us/drivered>  
to see the results.

New to the SDE driver education web page is a **Parent/Student page**. It has links to various information to help parents and students know how to get enrolled in a driver education program.

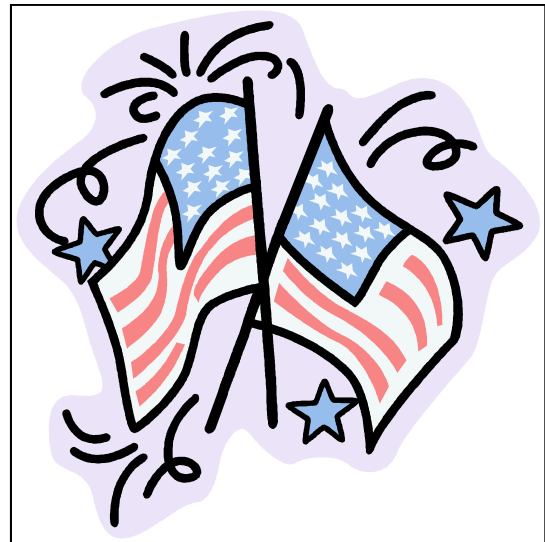
<http://www.sde.state.id.us/drivered/parents.asp>

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### Instructor Prep Classes

Instructor prep classes are up and going in northern Idaho and south central Idaho. There should be at least 10 new teachers in both areas by October.

The SDE is working to get the class schedules posted to the web and have registrations available to those interested in taking classes at least three months prior to the classes starting so students can plan accordingly.



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## 2006 Operation Lifesaver Speech Contest Winners



### 2006 Operation Lifesaver Speech Contest Finalists:

(L-R) Travis Walker, Ariel Joseph,  
Delanie Hepworth and Justin Newman

Idaho Operation Lifesaver's annual speech contest focuses attention on highway/railroad grade crossing safety. This contest is endorsed and supported by the Idaho Department of Education, which assists, with the administration of this worthwhile program.

English, speech, drama, and driver education teachers, and faculty representatives are encouraged to promote the contest in your classrooms and schools.

Contest awards are:

First Place	\$1,000.00
Second Place	\$ 500.00
Third Place	\$ 250.00
4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 100.00

First Place winner has been invited to Anaheim, California to give their speech at the National Operation Lifesaver Symposium.

All regional contestants will receive a certificate signed by the Governor and the State Operation Lifesaver Coordinator.

Contact your Operation Lifesaver area coordinator, driver education teacher or speech teacher for details on the 2007 Speech contest. (See p. 4 for contact info)



**Travis Walker**, was the winner of the 2006 Operation Lifesaver Speech Contest, and recipient of the \$1,000.00 scholarship. He and his teacher will travel to Anaheim, CA for the National Symposium in July 2006.

Travis Walker: is a High Honor Graduate of **Hillcrest High School** from Idaho Falls. He will be entering Boise State University as a Freshman, double majoring in Political Science and Communications.

He is a dual athlete in Soccer and Baseball. And 2 time Individual Debate State Champion.

He plans to go to Law School and pursue civil rights litigation.



**Ariel Joseph**, a sophomore from the **Nampa Arts Academy** was the recipient of the 2nd place award of \$500.00.

**Delanie Hepworth**, 16 year old sophomore from **Murtaugh High School**. Delanie was nominated by Superintendent **Dennis Osman** to give the Operation Life Saver Speech. Delanie was a winner of a \$250.00 prize.



**Justin Newman**, a freshman in Pocatello, was nominated by **Mrs. Walker**, his Speech teacher. Justin was the recipient of a \$250.00 award for his speech.

**Congratulations to all the students for presentations well done.**



The Idaho Operation Lifesaver's purpose is increase public awareness of the potential dangers that exist at highway/rail grade crossings, railroad rights-of-way and trains in general around the State of Idaho.

The Goal is to eliminate injuries and fatalities to motorists, pedestrians and train crews through the use of Education, Engineering and Enforcement.

Last year Operations Lifesaver presentations were given to 299 schools and 7630 driver education students.

In 2005 there were 17,109 driver education students, that's about 45% of our students receiving the message from Operation Lifesaver.

Teachers, use this resource to get information to your students. The message works. In the past 15 years the number of incidents of Rail grade crossing has dropped from a high of 66 collisions in 1991, to 21 collisions in 2005, that's a 60% decrease in collisions.

To contact an Operation Lifesaver presenter for your classroom, contact the regional coordinator in your area or the state coordinator:

#### **Region 1 Coeur d'Alene**

Phyllis Jay 208-263-8417 x 214  
Jonelle Greear 208-772-6055

#### **Region 2 Lewiston**

Randy Martz 509-758-8389

#### **Region 3 Boise**

Grant Baxter 541-889-6070  
June Hickenbotham-Roby 208-468-5580  
Carol Gabbard 208-334-0334

#### **Region 4 Twin Falls**

Loyd Overlin 208-733-8188

#### **Region 5 Idaho Falls**

Doug Metcalf 208-529-1350 x1556  
Colin Erickson 208-359-3008 x 360

#### **Region 6 Pocatello**

Open but call Chris Arvas

#### **State Coordinator**

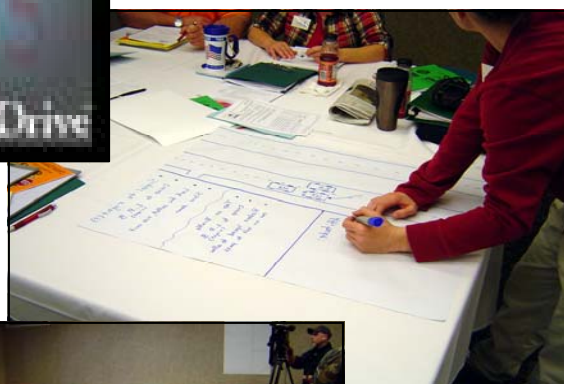
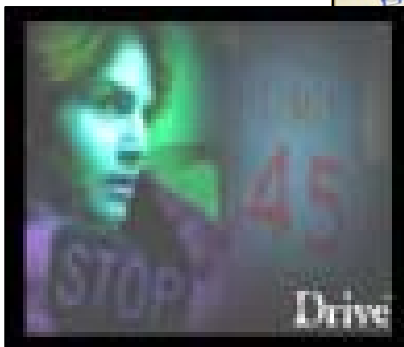
Chris Arvas 208-236-5626





# 2006 Spring Workshops

The Spring Workshops have come and gone. The teachers seemed to have had a great time. Check out the photos and see how the teachers really worked during the workshop.



## Comments

"Liked guest speakers and enjoyed the roundtable dis-

"Great job."

"Less modules and content standards and benchmarks."

"I liked the way Kelly took time to talk to each school district table and called on us by our names."

"Room was too hot."

"Drive program for Parents."

"Thanks for the great workshop."

"Would like more work time for individual curriculum, alignment and review."

"More hands on activities for the classroom."

"In car activities, with practical applications."

"I really enjoyed the more laid back approach."

# Helpful Information

Questions about filling out your reimbursement forms?

Pass is 30 - 6 - 6

Fail is 30 - 6 - 6,

Incomplete is a minimum  
5 CR 1 BTW ,  
anything less  
does not count toward enrollment



Idaho Code §33-1706.

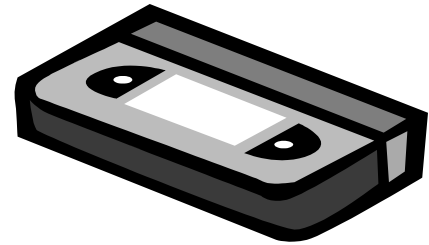
REPORTS TO STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Each school district which has completed a course or courses in driver training, whether approved for reimbursement or not, **shall submit a report to the state department of education not later than forty-five (45) days** after completion of the course or courses, showing (1) the number of pupils who enrolled; (2) the number of pupils who completed the course; and (3) the total cost of operation of the program, together with such other information as the state board may require. Failure to submit reports to the state department of education shall be cause for the state department of education to disallow reimbursement even for prior approved driver training program.

When reserving Videos, please try to limit your selection to 4 videos per show date.

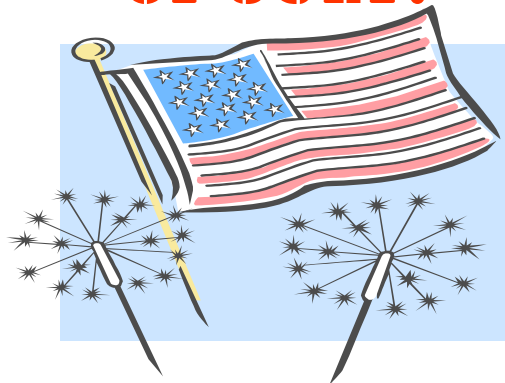
Please be considerate to the next instructor and return your films on or before the due date, failure to do so will result in loss of video privileges.

Thank you!



Please make sure SDE has your current address, when your district office fills out your instructor authorization forms they often have outdated information. Thank You!

## HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!



### SDE Policy and Procedures Manual

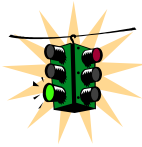
#### 4.13 Substitute Teacher Reimbursement

The SDE may reimburse school districts for substitute teacher costs when SDE activities require teacher participation. School districts must invoice the SDE in a timely manner for substitute costs. The SDE will reimburse the lesser of the invoiced amount or **\$70 per day**. This reimbursement rate will be reviewed yearly by Cabinet and adjustments made as necessary.

# NEWS YOU CAN USE

## 2006 Legislation Changes and New Laws

49-624. DRIVER DUTY UPON APPROACHING A STATIONARY POLICE VEHICLE OR AN AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE DISPLAYING FLASHING LIGHTS. The driver of a motor vehicle, upon approaching a stationary police vehicle displaying flashing lights or an authorized emergency vehicle displaying flashing lights shall: (1) If the driver is traveling on a highway with two (2) or more lanes carrying traffic in the same direction, immediately reduce the speed of his vehicle, proceed with due caution, or change lanes as soon as it is possible to do so in a manner that is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing, with regard to actual and potential hazards. (2) If the driver is traveling on a highway with one (1) lane for each direction of travel, immediately reduce the speed of his vehicle, and maintain a safe speed for the road, weather and traffic conditions until completely past the stationary police vehicle or authorized emergency vehicle.



### 49-802. TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNAL LEGEND

#### (3) Steady red indication:

(e) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the driver of a motorcycle approaching an intersection that is controlled by a triggered traffic-control signal using a vehicle detection device that is inoperative due to the size of the motorcycle, shall come to a full and complete stop at the intersection. If the signal fails to operate after one cycle of the traffic signal, the driver may proceed after exercising due caution and care. It is not a defense to a violation of section 49-801, Idaho Code, that the driver of a motorcycle proceeded under the belief that a traffic-control signal used a vehicle detection device or was inoperative due to the size of the motorcycle when such signal did not use a vehicle detection device or that any such device was not in fact inoperative due to the size of the motorcycle.



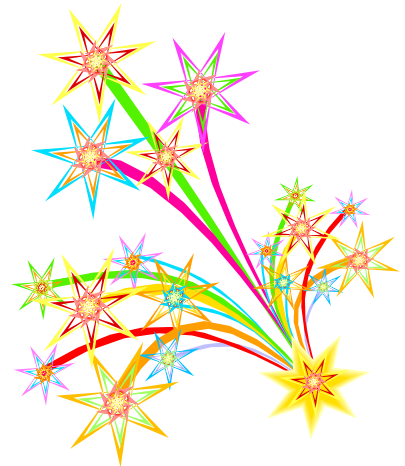
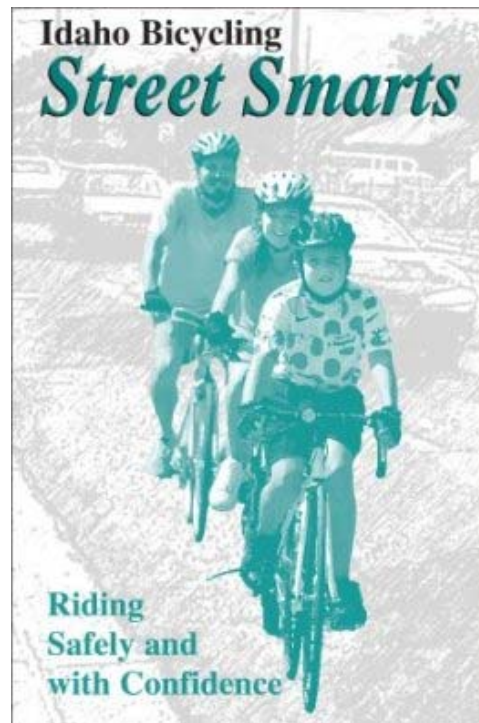
## WEB SITES to CHECK OUT

<http://www.xtr4.com/index.html>  
OFFICE OF HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC SAFETY

<http://www.moorshire.com/>  
MOORSHIRE GROUP, and more information about the DRIVE Program.

### Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety

If you have any additional questions contact state Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Mark McNeese at 208-334-8272 or by email at [mark.mcneese@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:mark.mcneese@itd.idaho.gov)





## Workshops and Conferences:

- 2006 **ADTSEA Conference**. July 31 – August 2, Kalamazoo, MI. 724-357-4051.
- 30th Annual **ADED Conference** and Exhibits. August 4 – 8, Lexington, KY. 800-290-2344.
- 2006 Driving School Association of the Americas (**DSAA**) **Convention**. November 9 - 11, Sarasota, FL. 800-270-3722.
- 2006 NSC Congress and Expo. November 3 – 10. San Diego, CA.
- 2007 Annual Commercial School Workshop. January 13 Hosted by Eiguren Driving School and the State Dept of Education Contact:  
EIGUREN DRIVING SCHOOL  
Dave and Jeannie Eiguren  
345-8825  
6019 Outlook  
Boise ID 83703



### For Those Who Missed the Spring Workshops

## **DRIVE Program Workshop**

The SDE and the Office of Traffic and Highway Safety will offer the Drive Program workshop for any teacher that missed the opportunity in the spring to attend the workshop in August.

**AUGUST Workshop 15,16 2006**

**AmeriTel Inn Boise Town Square**

**8:00 am—4:30 pm**

**BSU credit available for purchase**

**No Cost for the workshop**  
**Deadline Aug. 1st, 2006**

**Registration form:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
District \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom teacher                      yes    no  
BTW teacher                                yes    no

I live more than 50 miles one-way from the hotel \_\_\_\_\_ miles

Please indicate if you need hotel accommodations, SDE will reserve the room on your behalf.



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## FREE STUFF FOR YOUR CLASSROOM

### AAA of Idaho

Brochures from AAA are available on a first come first serve basis. Teachers can order a free sample packet of one each of the following titles:

Titles:

"One Drink Can Be too Many"

"How to Go on Ice and Snow"

"Knowing and Understanding Traffic Signs and Signals"

"Parking Made Easy"

"Freeway Driving Demands Special Skills"

Instructors may order additional copies of these titles at AAA cost plus shipping. Instructors may copy the brochures for in-class use, but not for any commercial use. AAA prefers instructors order the actual brochures they need. Contact AAA for bundle rates.

To order contact:

Dave Carlson

Director of Public & Government Affairs

AAA Idaho

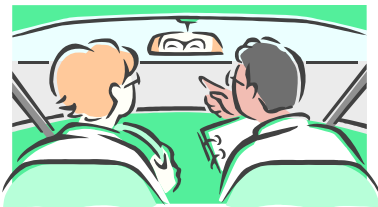
7155 W. Denton St.

Boise, ID 83704

(208) 658-4401 (direct)

(208) 342-0085 (fax)

[dave.carlson@aaaidaho.com](mailto:dave.carlson@aaaidaho.com)



### Idaho Office of Highway Safety

Order highway safety materials on the form off the web site below. If you have questions, please call (208) 334-8118. Highway safety materials are available at no charge. Orders will be filled in the quantities requested while supplies are available.  
<http://itd.idaho.gov/ohs/index.htm>



Keep you eyes out for an exciting Grant Opportunity from State Farm Insurance.

State Farm Shift into Safety; State Farm Teen Driver Grant Program. Info has been mailed- check your mailbox!

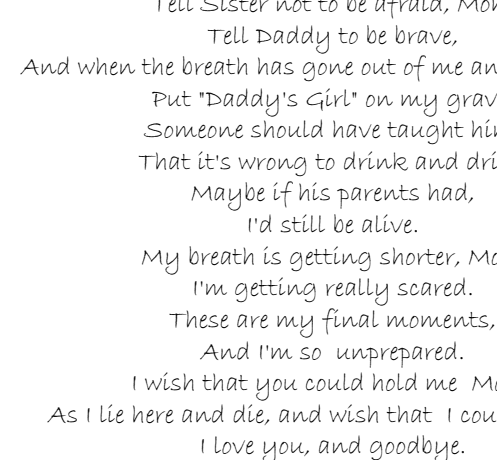


## Idaho Teacher's Corner

*Sent to SDE by Gem County Driving School (as an e-mail)*

### WENT TO A PARTY, MOM

I went to a party,  
And remembered what you said.  
You told me not to drink, Mom  
So I had a Sprite instead.  
I felt proud of myself,  
The way you said I would,  
That I didn't drink and drive,  
Though some friends said I should.  
I made a healthy choice, and your advice to me was right,  
The party finally ended,  
And the kids drove out of sight.  
I got into my car,  
Sure to get home in one piece,  
I never knew what was coming, Mom  
Something I expected least.  
Now I'm lying on the pavement,  
And I hear the policeman say,  
The kid that caused this wreck was drunk,  
Mom, his voice seems far away.  
My own blood's all around me,  
As I try hard! not to cry.  
I can hear the paramedic say,  
This girl is going to die.  
I'm sure the guy had no idea,  
While he was flying high,  
Because he chose to drink and drive,  
Now I would have to die.  
So why do people do it, Mom  
Knowing that it ruins lives?  
And now the pain is cutting me,  
Like a hundred stabbing knives.  
Tell Sister not to be afraid, Mom  
Tell Daddy to be brave,  
And when the breath has gone out of me and I have died,  
Put "Daddy's Girl" on my grave.  
Someone should have taught him,  
That it's wrong to drink and drive.  
Maybe if his parents had,  
I'd still be alive.  
My breath is getting shorter, Mom  
I'm getting really scared.  
These are my final moments,  
And I'm so unprepared.  
I wish that you could hold me Mom,  
As I lie here and die, and wish that I could tell you,  
I love you, and goodbye.





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